# GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
# COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY
# LOK SABHA

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ESTABLISHMENT OF NATIONAL FREQUENCY MANAGEMENT BOARD
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**Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:**

(a) whether the Telecom Regulatory Authority of India has recommended for establishing a National Frequency Management Board to prepare a comprehensive spectrum policy in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the time by which this Board is likely to be constituted?

## Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (SHRI JYOTIRADITYA M. SCINDIA)

(a) Yes, Sir. The Telecom Regulatory Authority of India (TRAI) in its recommendations dated the 27th September 2006 on "Allocation and Pricing Spectrum for 3G and Broadband Wireless Access Services" among others had recommended for establishing a National Frequency Management Board (NFMB).

(b) & (c) However, Ministry of Communications and IT is of the view that, since a high power, Secretary level committee, known as "Wireless Planning Coordination Committee" (WPCC) already exists and various significant issues including comprehensive spectrum policy can be formulated by this committee, instead of establishing the National Frequency Management Board.